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CUSTOMS DISTRICT BY CONTINENT: JANUARY 1970

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at $2 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Code Classification of United States Customs Districts and Ports, January 1, 1967 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities, which appears in the January 1970 issue of Report FT 410, may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

Effective with the statistics for January 1970, the export statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $251 and over to countries other than Canada. For Canada, data are fully compiled for shipments individually valued at $2,000 and over while data for shipments valued $251-$1,999 are estimated from a 10-percent sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under $251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown for North America include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The following is a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability (on a 2 chances out of 3 basis) of value totals. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
$500,000 - $1,000,000	.40	1.00		
$100,000 - $500,000	.45	.55	.85	1.00
$20,000 - $100,000	.65	.65	.65	1.00
Cells of under $20,000	Generally less than $10,000			

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The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued $251 and over. Data for shipments valued under $251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under $251), are estimated from a 5-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under $251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of $500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under $500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than $50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	70,731	(X)	17,535	7,192	34,380	8,807	1,159	1,216	449,082	(X)	61,370	29,162	262,148	73,121	11,130	7,432
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	26,204	7,411	2,162	11,894	4,071	234	279	(X)	159,537	30,823	7,383	82,045	32,119	2,926	1,829
St. Albans, Vt.....	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
Boston, Mass.....	2,431	1,310	203	(Z)	2,083	121	19	5	15,743	8,855	1,414	2	12,969	1,108	198	53
Buffalo, N.Y.....	168	167	168	-	-	-	-	-	1,273	1,261	1,273	-	-	-	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	31,715	10,320	2,902	1,979	22,151	3,715	254	713	240,802	66,778	15,797	10,597	178,232	29,261	2,183	4,731
Philadelphia, Pa.....	577	295	34	(Z)	392	130	4	17	4,548	2,255	112	3	2,932	1,310	43	146
Baltimore, Md.....	37	35	15	(Z)	20	1	-	2	524	521	102	1	399	7	-	14
Savannah, Ga.....	73	73	53	-	20	-	-	-	412	398	151	-	261	-	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	28	(Z)	27	-	1	-	-	-	140	3	77	-	63	-	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	357	95	330	23	2	(Z)	-	2	1,045	413	897	127	10	4	-	7
Laredo, Tex.....	210	115	208	1	2	-	-	-	761	422	748	3	10	-	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	77	77	73	-	4	-	-	(Z)	658	658	545	-	109	-	-	3
Nogales, Ariz.....	136	111	135	-	-	1	-	-	181	101	143	-	-	39	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	3,831	1,642	791	164	1,357	1,161	290	67	46,648	16,642	7,171	1,791	20,191	13,995	2,975	525
San Francisco, Calif...	2,427	1,371	176	21	291	1,665	273	1	26,200	14,063	921	183	2,742	19,463	2,875	17
Portland, Oreg.....	76	76	12	-	63	1	-	-	1,195	1,192	51	-	1,122	22	-	-
Seattle, Wash.....	497	407	129	4	142	170	45	7	4,416	3,718	1,115	86	752	1,235	1,150	76
Anchorage, Alaska.....	3	2	1	-	(Z)	2	-	(Z)	78	9	5	-	36	36	-	(Z)
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	62	41	(Z)	-	1	44	16	(Z)	1,024	301	28	-	23	868	104	(Z)
Great Falls, Mont.....	31	31	31	-	-	-	-	-	278	273	278	-	-	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	6	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	157	156	90	-	21	46	-	(Z)	1,933	1,932	513	-	923	491	-	6
Duluth, Minn.....	12	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	432	432	432	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	1,551	1,459	140	(Z)	1,379	9	1	21	8,716	7,745	1,697	1	6,868	114	3	34
Chicago, Ill.....	5,089	2,368	1,468	11	3,232	307	1	71	26,511	13,651	7,574	160	16,704	1,777	7	290
Cleveland, Ohio.....	407	124	272	-	114	20	-	-	1,685	679	1,071	-	476	138	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	33	33	5	-	25	3	-	-	539	539	28	-	479	32	-	-
San Juan, P.R.....	369	219	295	58	14	-	-	1	1,761	560	483	188	955	-	-	135
Miami, Fla.....	9,348	4,508	5,344	3,910	91	2	-	1	25,736	10,293	10,810	14,239	653	22	-	12
Houston, Tex.....	951	587	369	171	173	137	14	87	5,414	2,511	1,284	242	1,595	1,014	729	550
Washington, D.C.....	354	56	13	30	294	15	-	3	8,049	806	65	178	7,582	188	-	35
All other districts....	367	356	16	1	(Z)	348	2	(Z)	260	101	41	(Z)	11	65	142	1
Shipments under $251...	8,907	(NA)	4,217	817	2,506	910	239	218	17,391	(NA)	6,533	1,361	6,049	1,931	721	796
Special Category.....	442	152	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	4,718	2,412	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

- Represents zero. D Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for security reasons. NA Not available. X Not applicable. Z Less than 500 pounds or $500.

Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	41,658	(X)	6,871	2,757	26,187	8,289	312	221	267,101	(X)	21,612	9,220	170,748	61,285	1,876	2,335
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	20,029	3,444	766	10,776	4,896	93	54	(X)	130,207	10,960	5,433	75,138	37,556	782	339
St. Albans, Vt.....	15	15	14	-	(Z)	-	-	-	118	95	115	-	3	-	-	-
Boston, Mass.....	1,879	1,084	27	(Z)	1,831	20	(Z)	1	9,982	6,040	349	(Z)	9,280	347	2	3
Buffalo, N.Y.....	101	87	74	-	26	(Z)	-	-	900	779	749	-	148	3	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	21,903	9,591	494	768	17,883	2,518	104	136	154,499	62,441	4,527	6,289	119,815	21,246	649	1,972
Philadelphia, Pa.....	355	297	9	-	325	19	(Z)	1	4,678	4,047	67	-	4,534	57	1	19
Baltimore, Md.....	86	85	23	-	53	3	-	8	838	824	471	-	291	5	-	71
Savannah, Ga.....	68	56	15	-	53	-	-	-	136	97	64	-	72	-	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	92	87	87	-	4	(Z)	-	-	167	83	72	-	79	16	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	365	193	340	(Z)	24	-	-	(Z)	340	154	236	1	102	-	-	(Z)
Laredo, Tex.....	171	142	171	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	320	142	262	-	3	56	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	7	3	4	-	2	-	-	-	188	160	187	-	1	-	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	44	-	44	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	2,319	1,169	117	29	552	1,518	98	5	21,882	8,203	2,376	212	4,883	13,505	885	20
San Francisco, Calif...	2,189	1,670	20	12	167	1,955	34	(Z)	18,556	13,057	323	24	1,927	16,054	224	5
Portland, Oreg.....	61	61	(Z)	-	61	-	-	-	279	279	(Z)	-	279	-	-	-
Seattle, Wash.....	383	326	93	-	66	222	1	1	3,832	3,335	998	-	459	2,360	2	13
Anchorage, Alaska.....	9	3	2	-	6	(Z)	-	-	259	141	7	-	118	134	-	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	120	32	54	-	5	43	19	-	730	333	52	-	121	521	36	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	13	6	12	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	1	295	170	292	-	(Z)	2	-	1
Pembina, N. Dak.....	31	28	28	-	1	3	-	-	152	130	139	-	6	6	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	249	246	6	-	34	209	-	-	992	970	40	-	319	634	-	-
Duluth, Minn.....	7	5	6	-	1	-	-	-	979	885	975	-	4	-	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	614	552	90	-	520	2	(Z)	2	2,434	2,043	598	-	1,803	27	(Z)	6
Chicago, Ill.....	2,238	1,220	207	(Z)	1,487	533	(Z)	11	23,505	16,405	2,642	(Z)	16,430	4,387	4	42
Cleveland, Ohio.....	156	13	102	-	48	6	-	-	1,010	179	639	-	215	156	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	13	13	1	-	10	3	(Z)	-	102	101	3	-	87	11	(Z)	-
San Juan, P.R.....	1,320	260	1,102	120	93	4	-	1	1,170	538	637	95	427	7	-	4
Miami, Fla.....	4,811	2,328	3,045	1,665	97	3	-	(Z)	7,055	3,247	3,812	2,380	851	11	-	(Z)
Houston, Tex.....	224	189	135	2	80	5	(Z)	2	2,190	1,559	193	23	1,665	190	3	114
Washington, D.C.....	270	254	29	-	233	9	-	(Z)	3,850	3,714	30	-	3,753	67	-	1
All other districts....	36	15	25	(Z)	6	6	-	-	90	55	62	(Z)	12	15	-	-
Shipments under $251...	4,548	(NA)	532	160	2,518	1,210	55	53	5,529	(NA)	648	194	3,060	1,470	67	64

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